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Applicants: Eugen Koren and Mirna Koscec

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Examiner: P. Duffy

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For: *ANTIBODIES TO LIPOPROTEINS AND APOLIPOPROTEINS AND METHODS OF USE THEREOF*

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the office action mailed on June 27, 2000, please amend the above identified application as follows. A Petition for an Extension of Time for two months, up to and including November 27, 2000, is enclosed with this response. A notice of appeal is also being filed with this amendment. Authorization is hereby given to charge the fees for the above to our Deposit Account No. 01-2507. **IT IS BELIEVED THE OFFICE ACTION SHOULD NOT HAVE BEEN MADE FINAL SINCE IT IS THE FIRST OFFICE ACTION ON THE MERITS. THE EXAMINER'S ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO THE INTERVIEW SUMMARY SENT JANUARY 28, 1999, BY RICHARD SCHWARTZ AND ANTHONY CAPUTA NOTING THAT THE PREVIOUS OFFICE ACTION WOULD BE VACATED AND A NEW OFFICE ACTION (THE ONE THIS AMENDMENT IS IN RESPONSE TO) WOULD BE ISSUED. This is the first office action since the September 28, 1998 office action.**